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Minister Dupuy announces Canada Council appointments

OTTAWA, September 12, 1994 Canadian Heritage Minister Michel Dupuy today announced the appointment of Mrs. Carol Shields, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, and Mr. Louis Fortin, of Ste-Foy, Québec, to the Canada Council.

Mrs. Shields won this year's Manitoba Book of the Year Award and the Governor General's Award for Literature in 1993. Her contributions to literary arts over the past three decades have been numerous and varied, including works in short fiction, plays, anthologies and novels. In addition, the part-time professor at the Department of English of the University of Manitoba has also participated in numerous arts panels and juries, and has been a guest lecturer/reader in Canada and other countries. She was the subject of a documentary film, "Carol Shields", produced in 1985 by The Access Network.

A graduate in social sciences of Université Laval, Mr. Fortin was a radio announcer and host with the French network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation from 1985 to 1988, and taught at Laval from 1990 to 1992. Mr. Fortin is also a recognized actor who has played a variety of roles over the years, including that of Armand in Michel Tremblay's Bonjour, là Bonjour, that of General MacKenzie in Agatha Christie's Ten Little Indians, and that of Steve in Tennessee Williams' A Streetcar Named Desire.

The curriculum vitae of Mrs. Shields and Mr. Fortin are available upon request.

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